GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS - Mining Lease for Dolomite over an extent of 9.106 Hectares or 22.50 Acres in Sy.No.1/B of Konapuram (V), Peddapappuru (M), Ananatapuram District, in favour of M/s. Aparna Minerals - Declared as lapsed under rule 28 (1) of M.C Rules, 1960 - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 179.

Dated:18.11.2014 Read the following:

1.G.O.Ms.No.314, Ind & Com (M-III) Dept., dt.14.10.1999.

- 2.From the Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad file bearing No.33686/R4-1/13, dated 07.12.2013.
- 3.Govt.Memo No.18567/M.III(1)/2013,Dt: 03.07.2014.

<u>ORDER</u>:

Government in the reference 1st read above, granted Mining Lease for Dolomite over an extent of 9.106 Hectares or 22.50 Acres in Sy.No.1/B of Konapuram (V), Peddapappuru (M), Ananatapuram District, in favour of M/s. Aparna Minerals and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Anantapur has executed the lease on 01.04.2000.

- 2. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad in the reference 2nd read above has reported that the lessee did not fulfill the following conditions and submitted proposals for lapsing of the above said mine held by held by M/s. Aparna Minerals under rule 28(1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 for considerations of the Government:
 - 1. The lessee is not operating the mine from 16.08.2006.
 - 2. The lessee has not maintained the boundary pillars in good order according to the demarcation shown in plan annexed to the lease deed..
 - 3. The lessee is not conducting the mining operations systematically as per mining plan.
 - 4. The lessee is not maintaining the registers showing the production and dispatches of the minerals produced from the subject mining lease.
 - 5. The lessee has not established the weighing machine, at the mine site.
 - 6. The lessee has not submitted mine closure (both progressive and final mine closure).
 - 7. The lessee has not submitted the pollution control board certificate.
 - 8. The lessee has not submitted financial assurance for mine closure.
- 3. Government after considering the report of the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad, it was proposed to lapse the above mining lease held by M/s. Aparna Minerals and accordingly, a show cause notice was issued in the reference 3rd read above under rule 28 (1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 as to why the Mining Lease held by them shall not be declared as lapsed, and submit their explanation/representation within 15 days failing which it will be construed that they have no explanation/ representation on the action proposed and further action will be taken on the material available with the Government.

- 4. It should be noted in this regard that mineral wealth is the wealth of the nation and should be put to use for public good. Government gave mining lease so that the lessee company could do mining scientifically within the prescribed time limits and use the mined mineral. Such a mine would generate revenue for the State by way of taxes, employment for the local people and give boost to the overall economy of the region besides industrializing the area. None of these objectives could be achieved due to the abject failure of the lessee company.
- 5. Government after careful consideration of the matter hereby declare the Mining Lease held by M/s. Aparna Minerals for Dolomite over an extent of 9.106 Hectares or 22.50 Acres in Sy.No.1/B of Konapuram (V), Peddapappuru (M), Ananatapuram District, as lapsed under Rule 28(1) of M.C Rules,1960, as the lessee has failed to fulfill the lease conditions.
- 6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.S.V.PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To M/s. Aparna Minerals, D.No.140/26, Dhobi Street, Coal Bazar, Bellary (RPAD).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad (w.e.file) Copy to:

The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology), Kadapa.

The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Anantapur.

The District Collector, Anantapur District.

The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi-110001.

The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira BHavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001.

The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkand.

The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.

SF/SCs.(C.No.18567/M.III(1)/2013)

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SECTION OFFICER